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We are responding correspondence, submitted on your behalf by C.P.A., requesting relief in order to establish August 6, 1999, as the effective date for your S corporation election. Although we are unable to respond to to your request as submitted, this letter provides useful information relating to your request.

Announcement 97-4 (copy enclosed) provides guidance on seeking relief for late S corporation elections and inadvertent invalid S corporation elections. Generally, to request relief for a late or invalid S corporation election you must request a private letter ruling from the National Office. The procedures for requesting a private letter ruling are set out in Revenue Procedure 2000-1 (copy enclosed). In addition, Rev. Proc. 2000-1 requires taxpayers to submit a user fee along with their ruling request. The standard user fee for a private letter ruling is \$5,000. However, taxpayers with gross income of less than \$1 million on their last-filed tax return qualify for a *reduced user fee* in the amount of \$500. If you are eligible to use the reduced fee provision you must include the statement described in § (B)(1)(b) of Appendix A with your request. Please review Appendix B for a sample format for requesting a private letter ruling.

If you decide to submit a formal request for a private letter ruling, please include the proper user fee (if applying under the reduced fee provisions, send a statement certifying gross income), and refer your request to our office by adding the following to the address: Attn: CC:P&A P.O. Box 7604 Ben Franklin Station Washington, DC 20044

Direct to: CC:PSI:1 Room 5002

Please keep this letter with your tax records and feel free to provide a copy of it to your authorized representative. We hope that the above information proves helpful.

Sincerely yours,

/s/Dianna K. Miosi

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Enclosures:

Announcement 97-4 Rev. Proc. 2000-1